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Enzyme Like Apoptosis Protease-3 and 4

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 3, 2003 (Paper No. 10), Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the remarks submitted herein. Submitted concurrently herewith is (a) Fee Transmittal (in duplicate) with appropriate fee; (b) Exhibit A; (c) Second Substitute Sequence listing on paper and on Computer Readable Format (one diskette enclosed); (d) Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.825; and (e) Notice of Appeal.

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